

2016 Canadian Girls Rodeo Association

Annual General Meeting

Oct. 15, 2016 10:00 a.m., Claresholm

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Deb Hambling at 10:00 a.m.

1. **Read and adopt Minutes from October 17, 2015** Jolayne Collings motioned to adopt the minutes of October 17, 2015, as read. Kim Welter seconded. Motion was carried. Discussion to revisit whether the Board of Directors will put on a Membership Rodeo. Deb reminded everyone that the point system is a trial for 2 years at the 2016, 2017 finals.
  
2. **Directors' Reports**
  - a. President-Deb Hambling- given
  - b. VP- Tracey Matthews-given
  - c. Pole Bending-given
  - d. Treasurer-Karen Lloyd- Bingo & casino reports have been complete and sent. Due to a change in the AGLC procedures, once the request for finals workers/etc. is approved, we will not have to apply yearly. We have applied for paying our rodeo insurance out of casino/bingo funds.
  - e. Barrel Racing, Paige Leavitt- given
  - f. Secretary-Dode Sears-given
  - g. Goat Tying-Matea Lloyd-read by Karen Lloyd
  - h. Awards-Barb & Morgan Michalsky-read by Deb Hambling
  - i. Tie Down- Skyler Mantler-absent
  - j. Finals-Tracey Matthews, Deb Hambling, Barb Michalsky- given
  - k. Team Roping-Karlee McLean-absent
  - l. Special Events-Shannon Kingsmith-given
  - m. Breakaway-Lawrie Saunders-read by Deb Hambling
  - n. Public Relations-Taryn Matthews-read by Tracey Matthews
  - o. Steer Undecorating-Kim Welter-given
  - p. Bingo Casino-Tracey Matthews-given
  - q. Cow Riding-Jacy Howlett- read by Deb Hambling
  - r. Membership-Cyd Collings-given
  - s. Circuit Recorder-Jolayne Collings-given
  - t. Managing Director-Cyd Collings-given
  - u. All Girl Rodeo-Marina Eckert- given
  - v. Jr Director-Shelby Wertz/Kenda Statham
  
3. **Election of Officers**: These positions are 2 year terms
  - a. Secretary- Tracey Matthews nominated **Dode Sears**. Seconded by Shannon Kingsmith. Motion carried.
  - b. Treasurer/Co-treasurer- Cyd Collings nominated **Karen Lloyd and Taryn Matthews**. Seconded by Tara Wilkinson. Motion carried.
  - c. Managing Director- Shannon Kingsmith nominated **Cyd Collings**. Seconded by Tracey Matthews. Motion carried.
  - d. Public Relations- Shannon Kingsmith nominated **Tracey Matthews**. Seconded by Marina Eckert. Motion carried.

- e. Pole Bending- Tabled till 1<sup>st</sup> rodeo
- f. Goat Tying- Tracey Matthews nominated **Matea Lloyd**. Darby Wilkinson seconded. Motion carried.
- g. Finals- Cyd Collings nominated **Tracey Matthews**. Seconded by Kim Welter.
- h. Barrel Racing- Shannon Kingsmith nominated **Paige Leavitt**. Seconded by Kim Welter. Motion carried.

4. **Election of Officers**: These positions are 1 year terms.

Bingo/Casino: This position is up; Tracey has done it for 7 years. We have applied to pay for a bingo coordinator from the bingo/casino funds. We're waiting for AGLC. **Shannon nominated Kim Welter for Bingo director, 1 year term, Tara W seconded the motion.**

Sponsorship- The board decided to continue **Marina Eckert's contract as Sponsorship director**, which will be reviewed in two years.

**Items for Discussion:**

- a) Finals -There is \$1750 per event no matter how many competitors have entered. For example, Cow riders competing against 1 other person, vs. other events competing against 11 others. We'd like to find a way to increase the Cow Riding entries; Thorsby Rodeo had 6 local cow riders, lets encourage them to become members. **TABLED till December 2016** meeting.
- b) Discussion about no ground money will be paid at the finals in the average. No motion was made. **TABLED**

Currently, Order of 4<sup>th</sup> go at the finals, shall be in order of placing last to first for all events, page 47, #2. Discussion of barrel racers and pole benders order of 4<sup>th</sup> go options rolling down your rotation or 1<sup>st</sup> out down to 12<sup>th</sup> to give the leader the benefit of top of the ground. **Karen Lloyd motioned to change page 47, #2, the 4<sup>th</sup> go at the finals, barrel racing and pole bending will run from 12<sup>th</sup> up to 1<sup>st</sup>. Cyd Collings seconded the motion. Carried.**

Raking-Discussion it was time consuming and hadn't been done every performance, after every barrel racer and pole bender on the final day. **Tracey Matthews motioned that we rake after 3, rotation 4, at all performances in the barrel & poles at the finals. Tara Wilkinson seconded the motion. 1 opposed. Carried.**

- c. **Kim Welter motioned to Include the finals points in the working horse awards. Darby Wilkinson seconded. All in favor.**
- d. **Kim Welter motioned to include the finals points in the Rookie awards, Tracey Matthews seconded. All in favor.**
- e. We take the top 12 to finals & if spots are not filled, we contact the next in line till all spots are filled. These contestants would not have had to enter the finals. Discussion that contestants are so informed to enter even if you're number 20, Cyd should not have to call them.
- f. The Board decided it would not be feasible to hold the AGM at the finals.
- g. Offer members the option of increasing their membership fee from \$150-\$250(amount to be determined by board of directors) & no requirement of working 2 Bingos would apply for finals, scholarships, awards. **TABLED** – 2017 Bingo requirements are already in place. Might work when the membership rodeo is in the fall; this year we had no membership rodeo in the fall.

- h. Add 2 more events for contestants 9 & under-Barrels & Poles no lead line allowed. Membership & Bingo requirement would apply. Discussion- juniors are very competitive, and we would like our membership numbers to increase.

Tracey Matthews motioned to add 2 events to the CGRA, Little Cowgirls Barrel Racing & Pole Bending, 10 and under by Jan 1; Membership \$35; Bingo buyout would \$125 or 1 Bingo; \$10 Entry fee; Top 6 to finals, and buckles as prizes. No lead line for 10 and under. If she wants to enter any other junior event, she must compete in all junior events. A 1 year trial. Once a girl of little Cowgirls age has taken out a junior active membership, she is no longer eligible to apply for a Little Cowgirl. Shannon seconded the motion. All in favor. Carried.

A committee can still have tiny mites. After being a Little Cowgirl competitor, she can qualify for Jr Rookie.

- i. A Rodeo Committee has a right to cancel an event if only 1 contestant has entered. Discussion about how many contestants required or a committee may cancel the event. Rule, Page 22, #11 Dode Sears motioned there must be at least 2 entries in an event or the Rodeo Committee has the right to cancel it. Cyd Collings seconded. All in favor. Carried. Include team roping points & cow riding in the Jr All Around (only 1 run per rodeo), with the highest points from that rodeo. Jody Savage motioned that the Team Roping counts toward the Jr All Around, Marina Eckert seconded. 6 in favor, 4 opposed, 1 abstain. Carried.
- j. Move Finals to August and hold our Membership rodeo on the September Finals Date? Discussion of High school rodeo dates & building our Junior membership versus not catering to High school, College rodeo dates. Having the finals during the last week of August allows for the Membership rodeo to be in September.

Shannon Kingsmith motioned that the Finals be held the end of August, and Membership rodeo be held the third week of September, in Claresholm, provided we find an indoor facility to host the finals! Jodi seconded the motion. 7 for, 1 opposed, 3 abstained. Carried.

Points System-The feedback was that the points system brought more people into the finals; there was 20 people with points in every event.

5. New Business:

- Increasing the entry fees of juniors - tabled
  - Rule-Page 29, #8 "The Neck Rope must be fastened with string or Velcro. Karen Lloyd motioned to delete the word "Velcro" Cyd seconded. Carried.
6. Next Meeting December 10, 2016-
7. AGM was adjourned, at 2:15, by Marina Eckert, seconded by Paige Leavitt.